



**Name** **HENRY THORLEY**

**DOB** Dec 1880

**Place of birth** Sandyford, Stone

**Lived at** In 1911 he was living 101 High St, Hanford with his wife and children. His parents and two brothers and sister were living in New Inn Lane.  
In 1914 he was living at 17 Church Lane, Hanford.

**Occupation** Carter and general labourer

**Family** Father William and Mother Mary Ann

**Marital Status** Married to Minnie Elizabeth nee Downing at Stone Registry Office in 1907

**Children** William Thomas, Mary Ann, Doris Minnie

**Age enlisted** Declared age - 30 years and 11 months

**Date enlisted** Signed up 17/11/1914

**Place enlisted** Stoke

**Service** Originally in the Royal Fusiliers – Reg No – 9730 but discharged 8/5/1915 with chronic rheumatism as “unlikely to make an efficient soldier”.  
He is believed to have re-enlisted or been called up, joining the Prince of Wales North Staffs Regiment 1<sup>st</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> Battalion

**Reg number** 201992 and 5851

**Rank** Private



**Date of death** 1/7/1917

**Age at death** 36

**Place of death** France and Flanders

**Cause of death** Killed in Action

**Grave or Memorial** Body found near Lens in May/June 1921.  
Identified by clothing, boots and disc.  
He was reburied 25/3/22 at Maroc British Cemetery, Grenay, Department du Pas-de-Calais, Plot I L47



**Medals** British War, Victory

**Other information** His height when he enlisted was recorded as 5 ft 3ins  
In the Sentinel of July 28 1917, it was reported that:

Mrs H Thorley, \*The Old Road, Stone has received official information that her husband Private Henry Thorley, North Staffs Regiment has been killed in action. He was \*\*34 years of age and was formerly employed as a gardener at Trentham. He leaves 3 children.

\*This is the home of his wife’s parents

\*\*He was 36 years of age

His widow died in 1921 probably leaving 3 children with their grandparents.



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